

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY  
BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

THE APPLICATION OF CELLCO PARTNERSHIP	)	
D/B/A VERIZON WIRELESS FOR ISSUANCE OF A	)	
CERTIFICATE OF PUBLIC CONVENIENCE AND	)	
NECESSITY TO CONSTRUCT AN ADDITIONAL	)	CASE NO.
CELL FACILITY ON WELLHOPE SCHOOL ROAD,	)	2004-00340
ROCKCASTLE COUNTY, KENTUCKY	)	
(THE WELLHOPE CELL FACILITY)	)	

O R D E R

On September 2, 2004, Cellco Partnership, a Delaware General Partnership, d/b/a Verizon Wireless ("Applicant") filed an application seeking a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity to construct and operate a wireless telecommunications facility. The proposed facility consists of a self-supporting antenna tower not to exceed 310 feet in height, with attached antenna, to be located at Wellhope School Road, Mount Vernon, Rockcastle County, Kentucky. The coordinates for the proposed facility are North Latitude 37° 19' 6.05" by West Longitude 84° 18' 1.79".

The Applicant has provided information regarding the structure of the tower, safety measures, and antenna design criteria for the proposed facility. Based upon the application, the design of the tower and foundation conforms to applicable nationally recognized building standards, and a Licensed Professional Engineer has certified the plans.

Pursuant to 807 KAR 5:063, the Applicant has notified the County Judge/Executive of the proposed construction. The Applicant has filed applications with

the Federal Aviation Administration (“FAA”) and the Kentucky Airport Zoning Commission (“KAZC”) seeking approval for the construction and operation of the proposed facility. Both decisions are pending.

The Applicant has filed evidence of the appropriate notices provided pursuant to 807 KAR 5:063. The notices solicited any comments and informed the recipients of their right to request intervention. The Commission received a letter of concern regarding the tower from Sean A. Decker, and another from Diana James, James Decker, and Clarence Decker. The Commission responded to both letters, notified the recipients of their right to full intervention, and granted them 10 days to request further participation in the matter. To date, the Commission has received no requests for intervention and the time for response has passed.

The Commission, having considered the evidence of record and being otherwise sufficiently advised, finds that the Applicant has demonstrated that a facility is necessary to provide adequate utility service and that, therefore, a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity to construct the proposed facility should be granted.

Pursuant to KRS 278.280, the Commission is required to determine proper practices to be observed when it finds, upon complaint or on its own motion, that the facilities of any utility subject to its jurisdiction are unreasonable, unsafe, improper, or insufficient. To assist the Commission in its efforts to comply with this mandate, the Applicant should notify the Commission if it does not use this antenna tower to provide service in the manner set out in its application and this Order. Upon receipt of such notice, the Commission may, on its own motion, institute proceedings to consider the

proper practices, including removal of the unused antenna tower, which should be observed by the Applicant.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that:

1. The Applicant is granted a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity to construct a wireless telecommunications facility. The proposed facility consists of a self-supporting antenna tower not to exceed 310 feet in height, with attached antenna, and is to be located at Wellhope School Road, Mount Vernon, Rockcastle County, Kentucky. The coordinates for the proposed facility are North Latitude 37° 19' 6.05" by West Longitude 84° 18' 1.79".

2. The Applicant shall file a copy of the final decisions regarding the pending FAA and KAZC applications for the proposed construction within 10 days of receiving the decisions.

3. The Applicant shall immediately notify the Commission in writing, if, after the antenna tower is built and utility service is commenced, the tower is not used for a period of 3 months in the manner authorized by this Order.

Done at Frankfort, Kentucky, this 3<sup>rd</sup> day of November, 2004.

By the Commission

Commissioner W. Gregory Coker did not participate in the deliberations or decision concerning this case.

ATTEST:

  
Executive Director

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